GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Municipal Administration & Urban Development Department – Authorizing the Director of Town & Country Planning on the operations of Metropolitan Region/Urban Development Authorities in the State - Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (M) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 15 **Dated: 29-01-2025**

Read the following:-

1) Andhra Pradesh Metropolitan Region and Urban Development Authorities Act, 2016
2) G.O.Ms.No.1 Law(I) Department, dt:10.01.2025.
3) Ordinance No.1 of 2025, dt.10.01.2025.

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O R D E R:

The Government of Andhra Pradesh aims to enhance urban development management by improving efficiency, reducing delays and ensuring that development activities are more localized and in line with community needs. The Government has consistently sought to improve the governance framework for Urban Development authorities especially after the State's bifurcation in 2014. The current 21 Development authorities cover 83% of the State's geographical area, but they often struggle with limited staffing and expertise in Town and Country Planning which hinders their efficiency.

2. To address these challenges, the Government of Andhra Pradesh in Andhra Pradesh Metropolitan Region and Urban Development Authorities(Amendment) Ordinance, 2025 has proposed empowering the Director of Town & Country Planning with greater administrative and technical control over all UDAs. This would help streamline operations, improve monitoring and increase accountability in urban planning. The rationale for this is to improve administrative efficiency, enhance monitoring accountability and decentralize urban planning. By giving the DTCP more control, the Government aims to address current challenges, reduce administrative delays and improve the overall functioning of UDAs. These changes will help to ensure that urban development is more efficient, transparent and accountable, aligning with state policies and local needs and also support Andhra Pradesh's vision to position itself as a leader in "Ease of Doing business", enabling faster approval and streamlined development process.

3. Accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 118A in Andhra Pradesh Metropolitan Region and Urban Development Authorities(Amendment) Ordinance, 2025 Government, after careful examination, hereby decided to authorize the Director of Town & Country Planning for the purpose of inspecting of Superintending the operations of all or any of the Metropolitan Region / Urban development Authorities

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established under the Andhra Pradesh Metropolitan Region and Urban Development Act – 2016.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.SURESH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., Mangalagiri
The Director of Municipal Administration, AP, Vaddeswaram, Guntur
The Commissioner, A.P. Capital Region Development Authority, Vijayawada.
The Metropolitan Commissioner, VMRDA., Visakhapatnam.
The Engineer-In-Chief (PH), A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur.
All the Commissioners of ULBs in the State - **through DMA.,** A.P., Vaddeswaram.
All the VC's of UDAs in the State - **through DT&CP.,** A.P., Mangalagiri.
All the District Collectors in the State.

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